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Honorable Mayor Justin Wilson and Members of City Council City Hall 301 King Street Alexandria, VA 22314

December 16, 2020

Re: Endorsement of the FY2022 DRPT Operating and Capital Assistance State Aid

Applications and the Commuter Assistance Program Grant Application, and Approval of
Required Matching Funds

Dear Mayor Wilson and Members of City Council:

At its December 16, 2020 meeting, the Transportation Commission voted to endorse the staff recommended requests for FY 2022 Department of Rail and Public Transit (DRPT) operating and capital assistance, and FY 2022 Commuter Assistance Program Operations Grant application and approved the required matching funds:

DRPT Operating Assistance

• Up to \$23,800,000, the City's eligible operating expenses for FY 2022

DRPT Capital Assistance

• Up to \$8,840,000 to buy eight electric buses

DRPT Commuter Assistance Program

• Up to \$220,000 to fund two staff and programming. This requires a \$44,000 local match. This is a decrease of \$14,480 decrease from the FY 2021 request.

The Transportation Commission appreciates the opportunity to review staff recommendations for these requests, and finds that these grants would, if awarded, support the goals of the City's Transportation Master Plan and the City's efforts to provide a high level of transportation services to the community. The Transportation Commission understands the

current constraints on local matching funds that impact the Commuter Assistance Program request this year, and we are hopeful that in future years our local funding will allow us to take even greater advantage of this State source.

The Transportation Commission recommends that Council support these grant requests. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Melissa McMahon

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Chair, Alexandria Transportation Commission

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